



The Plan Ahead

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Silver Spring Transit Center will expand the existing transit center and redevelop the property adjacent to the WMATA Metrorail Station located in downtown Silver Spring, Maryland – adjacent to Colesville Road and Wayne Avenue.

It will be a three-tier, pedestrian and bike-friendly Transit Center supporting rail traffic (Metro and MARC), bus service (WMATA, Ride-on, MTA bus, Van-Go Shuttle and inter-city), taxis and kiss & ride drop-offs.

For bus operations during construction of the Transit Center, a location for an Interim Operations Site (IOS) has been selected in the block of Ramsey, Bonifant, Wayne and Dixon, immediately adjacent to the existing Transit Station.

On November 27, 2006, it was announced at the Kick-off and Naming Ceremony that the Transit Center will be named for Paul S. Sarbanes, United States Senator for the State of Maryland.

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Interim Operations Site (IOS)

- ✚ The SSTC Phase II activities for the IOS improvements have been taking place over the past several months in preparation for the start of the construction of the Sarbanes Silver Spring Transit Center.
- ✚ Completed Phase II activities include the installation of new way-finding and traffic signals, installation of bus shelters and benches, sidewalk and street repairs, pavement markings for pedestrians and buses, the planned relocation of kiss and ride parking to County Garage 55 on Bonifant Street and the planned relocation of the taxi stand to Ramsey Avenue.
- ✚ Construction of the new walkway to the MARC platform is complete. Emergency telephones and lights have been installed along the walkway.
- ✚ A new brochure “SSTC-Finding Your Way During Construction” has been prepared and is being distributed by the County and others. The brochure map shows the location for the new WMATA, Ride On, UM shuttle, MC shuttle and VanGo bus stops on Wayne Avenue, Dixon Avenue and Bonifant Street.
- ✚ The County “Tri PS” commuter store has been relocated to Ramsey Avenue and is open for business.
- ✚ The project schedule calls for the transfer of the bus operations from the existing location at the Silver Spring Metro Station to the IOS in the September 28, 2008.
- ✚ The construction contract for the SSTC has been awarded and the ground breaking ceremony is scheduled for September 26, 2008

Next Project update is scheduled for October 2008



Interim Operations Site

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